

## Thoughts

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A NUMBER of the local citizens have been audibly complaining this week about the treatment they received from a company of Photographers who came here last week and solicited sittings for pictures to be taken this week. The most general complaint was that the parties did not keep their promises in regard to the price of the pictures and the class of workmanship. This is just one of the many things of this nature that the people of Gorman meet up with every year, and the best way to avoid this unpleasant treatment is to tell them positively at the door that you don't want their goods and that you buy from local or reliable firms.

Special advertising salesmen, fly-by-night advertising schemes and house to house salesmen of every kind, take hundreds of dollars out of Gorman each year, and the same merchandise can be bought in Gorman nine times out of ten at a lower price for a lot better quality.

It always safer to trade where you know who you are trading with. Then if any complaint comes up it will be pleasantly and gladly adjusted.

**PARKING** conditions in Gorman are getting to be more of a mess each time we have a crowd of people here. Last Saturday, was the same story and last Monday was even worse. Cars were parked every conceivable way in the main thorough fare, and fenders were smashed by the dozens. The price of a few gallons of paint, and the enforcement of a few parking regulations could regulate this disorder and make shopping in Gorman one of the most pleasant occupations that one could have. But to attempt it on days like last Third Monday greatly discourages many of both the town and country people to come to town on days like these.

While the street improvement program is in operation in Gorman now, it would seem to us to be the opportune time to make these changes in the parking system and regulate traffic.

**AS INTEREST** in the July Primaries increases with every candidate that enters the political field, the poll tax payers of Eastland county are getting their receipts in order that they may have the privilege of selecting the ones they prefer to represent them in the various offices. The citizens of Gorman may obtain their receipts at the First National bank and thus save a trip to the county capital. No charge is made by the bank for this service.

It is very important that every

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## EARL CONNER, JR. SEEKS 2ND TERM DISTRICT ATTY.

The Progress, this week is authorized to announce Earl Conner, Jr., as a candidate to succeed himself as criminal district attorney for his second term.

This candidate needs no introduction to the voters of Eastland county, as he is a home product, having been born and reared in Eastland, and coming from a family of attorneys and jurists it is natural that he has chosen the law as his life's vocation. He is making the race on the record he has hung up during his first term as public prosecutor, as this record reveals that he has never lost a felony case he has prosecuted, and the time-honored democratic custom of re-electing an official for the second term when he has well filled the office he holds.

Later a formal statement of his administration of the office will be given to the public. In the meantime, he asks your consideration of his candidacy. Up to the present no one has announced his intention to oppose him, and he may not have opposition.

## Suspect Will Be Returned to Face Auto Theft Charge

Sheriff Loss Woods announced Monday that Alton Loggins of Comanche county has been arrested at Big Spring and is to be returned to face a charge of theft over \$50 in connection with the loss of an automobile by Dr. George W. Blackwell here December 28.

Woods said that Loggins was placed in custody by the Howard county sheriff upon instructions from him.

The automobile of Dr. Blackwell, a Chevrolet coach, was parked in front of a Gorman church when first missed, said Woods. It was later found at Comanche.

## FUNERAL HELD FOR MRS. ANNIE CARTER SAT

Funeral services for Mrs. Rebecca Ann Carter, 74 who died at her home in Gorman, Friday, Jan. 14, were conducted from the Church of Christ Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m., with Rev. Cowan of Dublin conducting the last rites.

The deceased, born in Texas has been a resident here for many years. She has also been a faithful member of the Church of Christ.

Burial was in the Weaver cemetery with Higginbotham Bros. and Co. in charge.

Surviving relatives include Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hopper and family of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Taylor and family of Gorman, W. H. Carter and family of Gorman, T. J. Carter and family of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Carter and family of Sipe Spring, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Carter of Sipe Spring, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carter and family of Rising Star, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clements and family of Dublin, and Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Carter of Vernon.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for the kind words of sympathy and floral offerings at the death of our beloved mother and grandmother, Mrs. Annie Carter.

Relatives listed above.

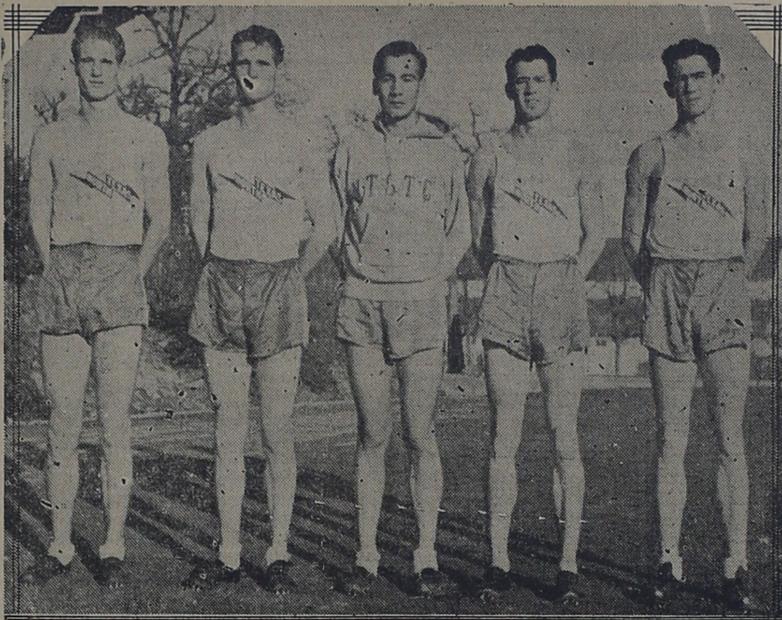
Jack Bennett was in Cisco Monday on business.

Check Smith was in Dallas Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Estalee Williams of Cahoma visited Mr. and Mrs. Lem Wood and son over the week.

Pay your Subscription now.

## INDIAN IN THEM



Five runners boasting Indian blood are included in Coach Choc Sportsman's cinderpath training camp at North Texas State Teachers College this year, but nobody knew that four of them were the well known Rideout and Brown twins until a half-blood Piegian Indian, Floyd (Dade) Martain, formerly a student at Woodrow Wilson High School in Dallas, appeared in the Eagle camp this fall and raised the question. Pictured are (left to right): Indians Delmer and Elmer Brown, Martain, and Wayne and Blaine Ride out.

## 35 FILE CLAIMS AT EASTLAND FOR JOBLESS BENEFIT

Thirty-five claims for benefits from the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission have been filed at the Texas State Employment Service office, according to a report by J. Syd Lowry, manager of the T. S. E. S. office serving Eastland county at Eastland.

Lowry stated that four of the group filing claims for benefits under the unemployment act have been referred to employers for employment.

Claims for benefits are sent by the T. S. E. S. office to Austin, where eligibility is determined and checks to eligible claimants mailed.

Jobless began filing claims for benefits after Jan. 1.

## ODD FELLOWS OBSERVE BIRTHY

Gorman Odd Fellows observed Thomas Wildy's birthday last Friday night with a fine program, and had as their guests Odd fellows from Ranger, De Leon and Cisco.

The first degree was conferred on a candidate from Ranger by a selected team from all of these lodges including Gorman.

There was 40 Odd Fellows present to enjoy the fine work done by the degree team, after which members of the Rebecca lodge of Gorman appeared with a fine program and well filled baskets which was enjoyed by all present.

## TAKES PART IN CONCERT

DENTON, Jan. 19—Presented in the second concert of the symphony orchestra this year, Miss Mary Dell Stewart of Gorman will play a cornet in the assembly program Thursday, Jan. 20, at Texas State College for Women.

Under the direction of Gibson Walters, the forty-piece symphony will play selections from Mendelssohn, Czibulka, Saint-Saens and Halvorsen. A special feature will be Bach's two-violin "Concerto in D Minor."

Miss Stewart, who has been studying orchestral music this year, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Stewart.

Mrs. H. E. White of Eastland and son and Mrs. E. T. Jones and Paul visited Mr. and Mrs. L. Capers of Mexia Sunday.

## EUPELL D. BOND IN SOCIAL SECURITY RACE FOR DISTRICT CLERK



EUPELL D. BOND Candidate for District Clerk

Euell D. Bond, has authorized The Progress to announce his candidacy this week for the office of District Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Mr. Bond was reared in the Morton Valley community and this is his first time to ask for a public office of any kind in Eastland county. He feels that he is properly qualified to conduct the affairs of the office to their satisfaction of the people and your consideration of his candidacy will be appreciated.

At a later date Mr. Bond will have a statement to make to the voters of the county at which time he will set forth more prominently his qualifications for the office.

### BROTHER OF LOCAL RESIDENTS DIES

Word was received Monday of the death of R. L. Anderson, of Cleveland who died Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Anderson is the brother of Mrs. John Kirk, and Mrs. Lou McMullen of Gorman. He had been in ill health for over two years and had been very ill for the past few weeks. Mrs. Kirk was with him at the time of his death. She has not yet returned.

Mrs. John Slaton and Billy Joe left Tuesday afternoon for Legion, Texas to visit John Slaton.

John Cooper attended the Service School of John Deere in Abilene Monday.

Mrs. D. G. Stevens has returned to her home in Gorman after a visit with friends in Dallas and Lubbock.

Plan for payment of Social Security dues has been changed, effective Jan. 1, 1938. Formerly, returns had to be made once each month. The payment of dues will be on a quarterly basis.

Dues must be paid during this present month, Jan. for Dec. earnings. After this payment is made the next payment will be due April 1. The tax payer will be called upon at some time during April to pay for the whole of the first quarter, Jan., Feb., and March. Likewise, in July, the taxpayer will pay for April, May and June.

Blank forms for filing quarterly returns will be mailed all tax payers on record in due time for the first quarterly report.

Forms SS-2 and SS-2a have been sent to employers for filing report of total wages paid, and to whom paid, for the six months period ending Dec. 31, 1937. This information must be furnished before Jan. 31, 1938.

### PORTABLE SAWMILL DEMONSTRATION TO BE HELD NEAR KOKOMO

A demonstration in the use of a Portable Sawmill to convert native timber into lumber for farm use will be held by Extension Forrester, C. W. Simmons, in cooperation with county Extension Agents on Friday, Jan. 28. The demonstration will be held near Kokomo School, 8 miles North-West of here and all farmers, farm women and 4-H club boys and girls of Eastland county are invited to attend the demonstration any time during the day.

Lumber will be used by the 4-H club boys and girls of Kokomo to build a 4-H clubhouse in their community.

### BIG GAME TO BE PLAYED HERE

The Gorman Basket Ball team will meet Cisco's team next Saturday night Jan. 22 at 7:30 in the High School gym in an official game.

The Cisco team is the only undefeated team of the county and the Gorman boys are determined to break that record. Therefore, this will prove to be the fastest and best game played on the local court during the county series.

There will also be a second game. De Leon second team will play Gorman second team. Admission will be 10c to all.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Shelley and son were visitors in Hamilton over the week end.

## VIRGE FOSTER ENTERS RACE FOR SHERIFF

Virge Foster has authorized the Progress to announce his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Eastland county, Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries July 23.

Mr. Foster needs no introduction to the people of Eastland county for he has served this county in this capacity in the past and his record as an efficient guardian of the law is unquestioned.

He makes no promises at this time as to what he will do, but leaves his record of past performances for the people of this county to consider as his qualifications for the office.

Your support and influence in this race will be appreciated by Mr. Foster.

## 1,400 POLL TAX RECEIPTS ISSUED UP TO WEDNESDAY

There has been approximately 1,400 poll tax receipts issued to Wednesday, qualifying Eastland county people to vote in the 1938 elections, which include the July and August primaries. Indications are that the tax collector's office will be busy from now until Jan. 31, and, as usual, the rush will work the force to a frazzle on the last days.

But why wait until the time is about to expire when you can get your poll tax receipts now or any time until the opportunity ends?

Do it now. Just like pulling a tooth. Only one time to pay this tax, which you must possess to participate in the elections.

It is understood that this tax is sometimes hard to pay, but if a proposition was up to disfranchise all those who could not pay their poll tax there is not a man in the county who would fail to comply. Yet, there are many men who will voluntarily disfranchise themselves when they can pay the tax and qualify as a citizen in every respect.

That the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to vote is manifestly an injustice, but the people of Texas voted this burden upon themselves, and all must abide by the law as it exists. So pay it, and vote for men to the legislature pledged to submit an amendment to repeal the law, rather than fail to pay it, and become disfranchised.

## Gorman Old Settler Dies

Funeral services were conducted Monday Jan. 17 at Oliver Springs at 3 p. m. for Lenord Monroe Haney, who died at his home near Gorman, Monday. Rev. Willie Skaggs of De Leon officiated at the services.

Burial was in the Oliver Springs cemetery.

Mr. Haney was an old settler here and he has been a farmer in this vicinity for many years. He was born Dec. 10, 1861, and lived in Mississippi before moving to Texas.

Surviving relatives include: Mr. and Mrs. Joe King of Gorman; Perry Haney of O'Donald, Texas; and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lamb of Breckenridge.

Higginbotham Bros. and Co had charge of the arrangements.

### BABY BOY BORN

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Parker are proud to announce the birth of a seven pound son, born Friday night at the Blackwell hospital here. Both mother and son are doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Shell and Melvin Shell were visitors in Cisco Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Dixon and family spent Sunday in Proctor visiting relatives.

## BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT HERE JAN. 28-29

Increasing interest and more and more teams entering, has caused the local school officials in charge of the Comanche Trial Basket Ball Tournament, to plan starting the tournament some earlier than was first planned. Supt. E. B. Brummett, who is in charge of the invitations, has announced that many more towns have accepted his invitation to attend the tournament and that at the present time, it appears that a number of the games will have to be played on Thursday night, Jan. 27, in order to accommodate all teams.

25 teams had accepted bids to the tournament at this time last week and now the number has been increased to more than 50, with still a number yet to be heard from.

Nice awards will be made to the team of both boys and girls who are winners of the games, at the close of the tournament on Saturday Jan. 29.

Plans are being made to handle a large daily and nightly crowd of fans who will come to watch their teams perform, and provisions are also being made to provide them with plenty of entertainment and refreshments.

## GORMAN BANK WINS SUIT

The First National Bank of Gorman was given a judgment in the suit against the Carbon Peanut Co., Wednesday by the district court at Eastland.

The \$100,000 cross action, by the Carbon Peanut Co., with drawn by the defendants. The Carbon Peanut Co. gave notice of appeal in the judgment handed down Wednesday morning.

Paul Jones was in Fort Worth this week.

Louise Baker and Lorena was in Eastland Saturday.

Frank Dean was in Brownwood Monday and in Waco Tuesday on business.

Max Stephens of Monahan is here this week visiting friends and relatives.

## NEW DEAL Theatre

**Thursday & Friday**  
Fred Astaire, Gracie Allen  
George Burns  
in  
"A Damsel in Distress"  
Plus: Grave Yard of Ships — News

**Saturday Only**  
Matinee & Night  
Pat O'Brien—Humphrey Bogart  
in  
"SAN QUENTIN"  
Plus: Ain't We Got Fun.  
Mysterious Pilot

**Sunday & Monday**  
Dick Powell—Rosamary and  
Pracilla Lane  
in  
"VARSITY SHOW"  
With  
Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians

**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
Pat O'Brien—Joan Blondell  
in  
"BACK IN CIRCULATION"  
Plus: March of Time No. 4.  
Charlie McCarthy in Pure Fued

**Thursday and Friday**  
Phil Regan—Ann Dovark  
in  
"Manhattan Merry Go Round"  
Featuring Gene Autry, Ted Lewis, Cab Calloway, Louis Prima.

## The Progress

INVITES

Clayton Cook and one  
To See  
"SAN QUENTIN"  
Saturday Only

R. L. Thomason and one  
To See  
"VARSITY SHOW"  
Sunday and Monday

Mrs. Dixie Stephens and one  
To See  
"BACK IN CIRCULATION"  
Tuesday and Wednesday

Mrs. J. C. Brewer and one  
To See  
"Manhattan Merry Go Round"  
Thursday & Friday

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Progress is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries on July 28 and August 27, 1938. All Political Announcements are Cash In Advance

For Representative 107th District: T. S. ROSS, (2nd Term)

For Representative 106th District: CECIL LOTIEF

For District Clerk: JOHN WHITE, EUELL D. BOND

For County Judge: W. S. ADAMSON

For County Clerk: R. V. GALLOWAY

For County School Supt.: CLAIBORNE ELDRIDGE

For County Treasurer: GARLAND BRANTON, W. O. (DICK) WEEKES, MRS. FRANCES COOPER

For Sheriff Eastland County: LOSS WOODS, VIRGE FOSTER

For Commissioner Prr. No. 2: N. C. CRAWLEY, W. B. HOOKER

Court Records & Statistics

PROBATE MATTERS — COURT PROCEEDINGS MARRIAGES — INSTRUMENTS — BIRTHS DEATHS — COUNTY NEWS

THE NINETY-FIRST DISTRICT COURT

(Judge Davenport, Presiding)

New Cases Filed The following new cases are docketed in the district clerk's office for trial in the 91st court:

B. R. Hutton vs. J. D. Kittrell, action for receivership. Mrs. Dee Mosely vs. Ben Mosely, divorce. Rae Saxon vs. S. J. Saxon, divorce. Vivian Jenkins vs. Truman Jenkins, divorce.

To Adjudge Dependent

Petition of J. W. Peters, through Dist. Att'y. Conner, Jr., was filed in the 91st district court last Friday to have the minor children of James Franklin and wife, of Eastland, adjudged dependent children. The children, who are alleged to be dependent, are Alfred, Jim, Gracie, Mary Elizabeth and Lindy Ann Franklin, all alleged to be under 16 years of age. Whereas the petition prays the court to cite James and Mary Franklin, of Eastland, parents, to appear in court and answer herein, and that the court proceed with a hearing hereof, and that the said minor children be adjudged dependent children. It is the prayer of petitioner that the court enter orders as required by law, and as may be deemed proper by the court.

Orders Jury

Judge Davenport ordered that a jury be summoned for this week of his court to report for service for the week that began Monday Jan. 17. Following are the names composing the jury summoned:

H. N. Russell, B. E. Garner, T. I. Collins, L. E. Melton, E. H. Mills, C. A. Bebe, G. W. Dickson, C. A. Tune, W. F. Creager, T. R. Cook, W. M. Bourdeau, E. H. Maynard, F. C. Long, Ranger. Victor Cornelius, Noble Harkrider, C. A. Jackson, W. A. Teats-roth, Tom Haley, Frank Castleberry, J. B. Johnson, E. H. Jones, Eastland.

C. J. Kleiner, K. N. Greer, C. O. Pass, Cisco.

Dave Ramsey, T. L. Stephens, E. F. Virden, Gorman.

Luther Gailey, W. H. Jackson, W. H. Mitchell, Strawn.

J. A. Hart, D. C. Weeks, Almeida.

W. E. McCall, W. R. Ussery, Carbon.

C. D. Minish, J. F. Warren, Olden.

C. G. Schultz, Rising Star.

THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT COURT

(Judge Patterson, Presiding)

New Cases Pending The following causes of action are of recent filing in the district clerk's office for hearing in the 88th court:

W. S. Lemasters vs. Rudeo Oil & Gas Co., damages. Milburne McCarty vs. I. Wolf et al, debt and foreclosure. Milburn McCarty vs. Eastland National bank, garnishee, ancillary to above. Sam J. Day vs. Rose Winkler Day, divorce.

Judgments and Orders

The following orders were handed down the past week in the 88th court:

Anna Louise Daniels vs. Irvin Van Daniels, divorce. Judgment for plaintiff annulling her marriage with defendant.

G. H. Boggs vs. Lone Star Gas Co., damages. This was a jury trial, begun Monday, in which there was a mistrial, the jury failing to agree on a verdict. The jury was discharged by Judge Patterson Thursday afternoon.

Employers Casualty Co. vs. J. W. Cummins, by next friend and guardian, Mrs. Alma Cummins. Appealed from the award of the state Accident Industrial board, an action for damages for personal injuries. The court having been advised that a cross action had been filed in the 78th court at Wichita Falls, and an agreed judgment entered, awarding defendant damages approved by the state Industrial accident board, which has done paid by plaintiff in this cause, it was the judgment of this court that plaintiff do have and record of the defendant in the premises, and the award of the Industrial Accident board be set aside and held for naught. It was further ordered that defendant take nothing, and that the cost of court be taxed against the said J. W. Cummins.

State vs. Emmett Rice, convicted of a felony, is was the order of the court that defendant be granted further time to prepare a statement of facts to perfect his appeal to the criminal court of appeals at Austin.

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Dismissed from Hospital

County Clerk Rip Galloway, who has been suffering with Lumbago for the past ten days, much of which he has been a patient at a Ranger hospital, has sufficiently recovered to be returned to his home here. However, he has not been able the first of this week to resume his duties at his office. He was visited Friday by J. E. Meroney and Joe Dennis of Ranger.

Licensed to Wed

The following couples have been issued permits to marry by the county clerk during the past week: James A. Brown and Pauline Archer, Cisco.

W. J. Wooten and Mrs. Irene Linton, Cisco.

Herman Mesker, Corsicana, and Mattie Lou Kitchen, Ranger.

V. J. Phillips and Hattie May Stocks, Cisco.

Hulon Underwood and Melrose Stockton, Sipe Springs.

One marriage license was returned without execution. Reason was assigned that both the prospective bride and groom, who lived at Cisco, were under age, and their parents persuaded them to postpone their nuptials for the time being.

Matters in Probate

The following orders were had in the probate court the past week: Application of Sarah J. Wood, surviving widow to probate the will of W. A. Woods, deceased. Approved and will probated. T. J. Chapman, J. A. Jones, and Aaron Bryant appointed to appraise the estate, after proof of will was established.

Ernest Hope Spinks, joined by his wife, petitioned the court for letters of administration of the estate of Mary Elizabeth King, deceased, filed.

Irene Linton, mother, and guardian of George Howard Linton and James Linton, minors, application for authority to pay \$15 attorney's fee, and to expend \$25 for clothing for her wards, approved and expenditures authorized. Her bond of \$500 was filed and approved with W. J. Wooten and J. G. Robinson as sureties. She was administered the required oath.

Application of Vila Harbin for letters of guardianship for Luther Hardin incompetent, filed.

In the matter of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Lee, application of O. Lee for letters of administration, approved and citation issued for hearing Jan. 24.

In the matter of the estate of L. Killet, deceased, protest filed by Bertha Jordan against the conveyance of property of the estate by the surviving widow, filed.

Vital Statistics, Births

The following late report of the births in Eastland county have been filed in the county clerk's office:

Kenneth Ray Cornelius, son of J. C. Cornelius and wife, Rising Star, born Dec. 19. Robert Ray Wilson, son of C. L. Wilson and wife, Rising Star, born Dec. 12. Wanda Ann West, daughter of M. E. West and wife, Rising Star, born Dec. 13. Robert Gail Richardson, son of R. C. Richardson and wife, Pioneer, born Dec. 11. Bulah Lucile Thompson, daughter of L. O. Thompson and wife, Rising Star, born Dec. 29.

Mortality Report

Following is the belated mortality report filed with the county clerk for Dec., 1937:

Benjamin Louis Marley, Rising Star, died Dec. 7, aged 80 years. Frances Louise Hicks, Rising Star, died Dec. 3, aged 62 years 6 months. Jesse McAdams, Cross Plains, died Dec. 4, aged 58 years. Jacob Emmett Hamilton, Rising Star, died Nov. 10, aged 73 years. Levi McCollum, Rising Star, died Dec. 3, aged 76 years, 10 mo.

ELEVENTH APPEALS COURT PROCEEDINGS

FORMER GORMAN HIGH GRADUATE IS HONOR MAN AT NAVAL TRAINING STATION

Following is copy of a letter The Progress received from the U. S. Naval Training Station at San Diego, Cal., in regard to a signal honor given Herman Dukes, son of Mrs. L. L. Dukes of Rt. 1. He graduated from the local high school in 1933 and some time later joined the navy and was sent to the Naval Training Station at San Diego, where he is stationed at present. The letter is as follows: The Editor, Gorman Progress, Gorman, Texas, Dear Sir:

Herman W. W. Dukes, whose home is in your community, has been selected as the Honor Man of his company by his instructors at this station for the week ending Jan., 1938.

Dukes enlisted in the Navy at the Navy Recruiting Station in Dallas, Texas on Nov. 12, 1937. Since that time he has been learning the necessary qualifications to fit himself for a career as a man-o-wars man.

At this station it is the custom to select every week the one man of each company of one hundred recruits among whom he has shown by his outstanding ability, his zeal, and his loyalty, that he is worthy of this special designation.

Friends of this young man and of his mother, Mrs. L. L. Dokes, will be happy to learn that he is adapting himself so nicely to the high standards which the modern Navy has set for its bluejackets and that he has started on his Naval career with such distinctive promise.

Respectively, J. W. Gates, Commander, U. S. Navy, Training Officer.

Bass Lake Club

The Home Demonstration Club met in the club house Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the new officers in charge. Mrs. Capers gave council report in which she stated that Mmes. Todd, Jobe, Swan and Jenkins had been elected or appointed to places in county council.

Year books were given the members and the programs given over and discussed. Standing committees were appointed.

The club voted to sponsor a play to be given later. Mrs. Gale Bennett was elected as delegate to council. Members are urged to attend club meetings regularly, and visitors are always welcome.

The following proceedings were had in the court of civil appeals eleventh supreme judicial district, as announced Friday Jan. 14:

Of motions overruled is that of W. S. Adamson, county judge, et al, vs. G. Connally et al, motion for a rehearing in the county prohibition election case, held last May. This action prohibits the sale of all alcoholic liquors in Eastland county.

Affirmed—Rhineland Union Gin vs. Volunere State Life Ins. Co., Knox.

Reversed and Rendered—Mrs. Helen Woods vs. R. L. Osborn et al, Callahan.

Motions Overruled—W. S. Adamson county judge, et al, vs. G. Connally et al, appellee's motion for rehearing. Texas Employer's Ins. association vs. D. E. Maraden, appellant's motion for rehearing. Truman Winchester vs. A. C. Boggs et al, plaintiff-in-error's motion for rehearing. Texas CocaCola Bottling Co. vs. R. B. Lovejoy, appellee's motion for rehearing. Charles K. Odom vs. Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America, appellant's motion for rehearing. Emma Nicholson Wolcott vs. G. T. Ball, appellant's motion for rehearing. Mrs. Helen Woods vs. R. L. Osborn et al, appellee's motion to dismiss appeal.

Motions Submitted Jan. 14—A. P. Eppenauer vs. C. W. Hoffman et al, Eastland. The State of Texas vs. Elizabeth A. Lowman et al, Eastland. C. A. Adams et al vs. Farmers Gin Co., Haskell.

Motions to be Submitted Jan. 21—Claude Maples et al vs. The State of Texas et al. Tom A. Minton et al vs. The State of Texas et al, both from Eastland.

WASHINGTON NEWS



FROM CONGRESSMAN CLYDE L. GARRETT

OBJECTIVES OF THE NEW SESSION—

The President states his objectives for the new session. A wage and hour bill; authorization for government reorganization; crop only on a small basis so that curtailment of expenditures in a way that necessary government functions will not be endangered; national income must be raised to capital investment will be returned changes in present taxes without raising drosses.

ECONOMIES—

The President is determined to cut government expenses at this time. He has recommended several curtailments to Congress among which are: Curtailment of several general public works programs such as river and harbor improvements and buildings because they do not provide as much employment as other types of work. Reclamation projects are to be stopped until those now under construction are nearly completed. Public building should be continued only on a small basis so that capital investment will be returned by savings in annual operating costs. Reduction of highway construction grants. Some of the expenditures will remain the same and a few will be boosted but in general, the program is economy.

MONOPOLY—

The important point in the coming year in Congress seems to be monopoly. The anti-trust laws are not much help in controlling business and for this reason they stand to be revised. Identical bidding pays a large part in the reasons for revising these laws, as the government does nearly all of its purchasing on the basis of bids where competition is important. The government has always disapproved of identical bidding and will try to stop such action. Just in what ways monopolies will be curbed is as yet hard to say.

NEW JUDICIARY BILL—

Referred to a Senate Judiciary subcommittee, is a bill creating a dozen new Federal judgeships. These judgeships would be in the following States: Georgia, California, Kansas, Texas, Ohio, Louisiana, Michigan, Washington, and the District of Columbia.

POTATO SURPLUS BOUGHT FOR RELIEF USE—

Nearly 3 million bushels of the 1937 potato and sweet potato crops had been purchased for relief distribution by the Federal Surplus Corporation. Purchases of Irish potatoes were 4.3 per cent of the carlot shipments since June 17. Purchases from the 1937 crop started June 17. The FSCC had bought through Dec. 31, a total of 2,660,200 bushels of white (Irish) potatoes and 326,000 bushels of sweet potatoes.

ICE CROP ILLUSTRATED BULLETIN—

Natural ice is a crop that farmers may harvest over a large part of the northern half of the United States. Lakes, streams, and natural and artificial ponds are the principal "fields" of supply, but where water is limited "canned" ice may be produced in galvanized iron containers, a few of them turning out a large number of blocks during the winter. Farmers Bulletin 1078, Harvesting and Storing of Ice on the Farm has just been republished by the Bureau. It is well illustrated, gives all necessary instructions on methods and detailed plans of storage houses, and shows how to provide for insulation and drainage. Copies of the bulletin may be had from the Office of Information, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. or from my office.

SPREAD IN BREAD PRICES—

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The spread between the retail price of white bread and typical bread ingredients costs reached a 7-year high at the end of 1937. Not since December, 1930, has this baker's and retailers margin been as large as it was in November and December, 1937. The average retail price of a pound loaf of bread for the country in December was 8.7 cents and the average cost of ingredients in a typical pound loaf was 2.6. This left an average gross margin of 6.1 cents for bakers and retailers.

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With morning came the repair crews

A winter rain, falling slowly from leaden December skies, froze to telephone poles and lines. Hard on its heels came the wind. Ice-laden wires snapped and poles splintered before the blast.

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**"The Rest of The Record"**

BY JAMES V. ALLRED  
Governor of Texas

As this is written I have just returned from Bismarck, the capital of the state of North Dakota, where I spoke at the Jackson Day dinner. I found many enthusiastic Democrats there, and according to all reports the people are overwhelmingly behind President Roosevelt, just as they are in this state. Incidentally, when I saw the President in Washington recently he appeared to be in the best health and happiest spirits of any time I have ever seen him. He seemed to appreciate it when I told him that the people of this state were behind him almost 100 per cent.

"Pay your poll tax!" That should be the slogan of all good citizens from now until Feb. first.

One of the most important offices filled by vote of the people is that of Lieutenant-Governor. Generally little attention is paid to it by the voters, but it is a powerful office.

The Lieutenant-Governor presides over the State Senate and appoints the various senate committees. This is especially important when a conference committee is appointed. The Lieutenant-Governor's rulings can generally determine whether a bill is to pass or not pass. For this reason you can see how important it is.

Several candidates are being discussed, though none have made a formal announcement. Among them are:

1. Senator Will D. Pace, of Tyler, who is chairman of the State Affairs committee, where all the tax bills died during the regular

session of the legislature. At the beginning of the regular session Senator Pace voted against race track gambling, but later switched to the other side and voted with the gambling crowd all the way during the remainder of the regular session; and even in the special session when the race track gambling law was repealed.

2. Coke Stevenson, who was twice elected speaker of the House by the Ferguson forces; and whose ruling as speaker first made it possible to legalize race track gambling.

3. Senator Wilbourne Collie, who voted for repeal; and

4. Senator G. H. Nelson, of Lubbock, who introduced the bill to outlaw race track gambling and successfully pushed it through.

This part of the records of those who have been discussed as candidates. If definite announcements are made, I shall be glad to give you "the rest of the record" as to the records of these gentlemen from time to time.

Regardless of whom you expect to vote for, for Governor, for Lieutenant-Governor, or for any other office—"Pay Your Poll Tax!"

**Manual Printed For Texas Water Works School**

AUSTIN, Jan. 19.—Announcement was made this week of the printing of The Manual of the Water Works Short School, to serve as a guide for water work personnel over the state. Twenty authorities in the Texas water works field are contributing authors of chapters on specialized fields in water works. The Manual now in the hands of printer, will be released shortly as the first of

**COON CREEK**

BY JOE W. GANDY  
Winnsboro Weekly News

I guess everybody is all set for another year. Everybody has got moved, and ready to get a line up on their neighbors. One family said they had moved so much that

its type.

Printing of the manual is the latest in a series of steps taken by the Texas Water Works Association to raise the standard of quality of water supplies over the state. For some years the Association has sponsored a school each year to give its members the benefit of new findings in the field.

The State Health Department is most grateful to the water works fraternity of Texas for the part they have played and are playing in reducing water borne diseases over the state," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer announced.

The Vocational Division of the State Department of Education inaugurated a series of rotating schools for water works men in various Texas towns in 1936. The schools, a year round project since then, are supplemented with a central school held annually. This year the school is to be at A. & M. College, Jan. 14. to 19.

Water works operators who pass an examination are granted a license which gives credit in rating of the water supply over which they have jurisdiction.

The manual to be published will serve as an encyclopaedia of water works practice. The manual contains chapters on such comprehensive water topics as "Corrosion and Encrustation", "Physical and Chemical Tests," "Bacteriological Examination of Water," "Water Purification Plants," "Water Treatment," and "Disinfection and Sterilization."

every time they went visiting their little boy thought they were moving. I guess life will be the same old thing for another twelve months unless some of our politicians see a vision, I started to say get religion, but that would be too much excitement. Most of us will plant peas for the government, and cotton for the banker. The Lord only knows what the rest of us are going to eat. We have been depending on Uncle Sam for several years but since he has come to peas himself it looks like some body has got to make a discovery.

Quite a number of thrilling and tragic incidents happened in 1937. The filling stations and the undertakers seem to have the best business. The rest of us just had the experience. Amelia Earheart was lost at sea and two men escaped from Alcatraz—the first time in history such a thing ever happened. But the most tragic incident of the year was an eighteen million cotton crop. Approximately forty thousand people were killed in automobile accidents. All that has been done about that is to bury the accidents, but Congress is going to do something about this cotton. It used to be when you wanted to borrow money you would go to a man who raised lots of cotton, but now when you want to borrow money—well the best thing to do is go to bed and forget it. It is a funny world ain't it?

Scientists claim to have discovered an elixir that when fed to a baby will make a man or woman forty feet high. Why don't they start feeding that stuff to babies now? Maybe in twenty years we could use a big cotton crop. Twenty-five yards of the shirt will consume a lot more cotton than three yards. I wish some times I had about a gallon of that stuff shot under my belt about the time I began my earthly pilgrimage.

Some folks would not have talked to me like they have done.

A veterinarian says there is no danger in drinking milk from a cow with rabies. There may not be, but who is going to milk a cow with rabies? You could put her in a straight jacket to milk her if you wanted to sample her product.

It seems that most of the prospective candidates for Governor are waiting for the others to shoot first to get them located, then they will take the opposite side. It don't matter which side.

A man said recently that every time he sees the sign, "Slippers when wet," he thinks of a politician.

Scientists claim that seventy per cent of the body and ninety per cent of the brain are water. That clears matters up a bit. We have known for several years that some thing was radically wrong but never thought of it being water. These scientists are wonderful fellows. They can tell you what is the matter with you, but they can't tell you what to do for it. They usually leave it up to our law makers to do the doctoring and they got water on the brain too.

We often read of fortunes being found in the homes and even in the clothes of eccentric people who live beggarly lives and objects of charity. Recently we read of two old women being found starved almost to death with \$10,000 hid in their miserable flat. If any body contemplates searching our clothes after we are gone we can save you the trouble. All you will find will be a little white-handled knife and a short piece of a pencil.

An editor in Ohio is offering \$10,000 for the first set of quintuplets born within eight miles of his town in 1938. Judging from the number that participate in the contest put on over the radio there will be a run for first place. The slot machines are being done away with to some extent and

people have got something to take a chance at.

The new year is now two weeks old and in spite of all the new year resolutions I can see no marked improvement. I did see one man kiss his wife, however, he might have kissed her last year. It won't be long till we will be seeing the new spring hats, and joy birds building bungaloes. We will slip right through the spring into summer and big meetings and old settlers reunions with not an old

settler in fifty miles of the place. Then it is time to pick cotton, and a day off to be thankful for the whole thing. From present indications we will have something to be thankful for if we are still here then. So around and around she goes, and where she stops nobody knows. But nobody seems to be interested in stopping, the thing is, keep 'er a goin'.

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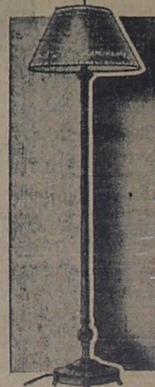
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# 4-H CLUB news

## NEW HOPE 4-H CLUB

The New Hope 4-H Club met on Jan. 13 in the home of Mrs. H. E. Seag's. Mrs. Ruth Ramey the county home demonstration agent, met with us. She gave a discussion on "Planning the Daily Food Budget," which was very interesting.

Those present were: Mrs. C. L.

Rogers, Troy Wright, John Bennett, Elmer Pirtle, Elvin Brown, R. F. Woods, J. L. Harrison, Tom Taylor, John Guy, Enoch Cook, E. E. Murray, V. W. Weaver, H. E. Seags, Miss Marna Nell Murray. Visitors were: Mrs. Graig Smith, Frank Hallmark, T. D. Whitehorn, Vivian Barron, Frank Moore, Mrs. Jim Hendrick of Kokomo, and Miss Ruth Ramey, County Home Demonstration Agent.

## 4-H CLUB NEWS

The girls 4-H Club met Jan. 12 in the Grade School building. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mary Frances Stubblefield. Since the secretary had

resigned, the president head the minutes of the last meeting. She then called for the old business. Both the secretary and vice president had resigned so they elected new ones. Earlene Moorman was elected secretary and Laferne Thomas was elected vice president. Then the president called for the new business and since there was none she turned the meeting over to the county director, Miss Stewart. Miss Stewart gave each one a book about gardening in the book they checked the vegetables they could plant.

The vegetables were beets, cauliflower, eggplant, okra, onions, radishes, cucumbers, squash, shell beans and peas. She then gave each one a leaflet headed Good Looks for girls which contained a health program to be checked each week. Those present were Miss Stewart, Mr. Jenkins, (the sponsor), Agnes Grisham, Bobbie Lee O'neal, Dorothy Short, Dorothy Nell Woodall, Earlene Moorman, Irene Sett, Jimmie Fae Ross, Lucilla Robinette, Mary Frances Stubblefield, Mary Ruth Moorman, Mary Ruth Yarbor, Maxine Wolfe, Ola Mae Paulk, Peggy Dixon, Ver a Grace Franklin, Virginia Hamrick, Virginia White, Margie Jo Jenkins, and Laferne Thomas.

city and town plays an important part in determination of the cost of insurance," Hall said. "In addition to this fact, the low loss reflects a period of prosperity, not a business recession: the records of this department show that high fire losses invariably go hand in hand with times of depression.

"The 1937 record is a compliment to the efficiency of Texas firemen, and proves what can be done when the people of this state cooperate in an effort to reduce wasteful loss of life and property through fires. The aim of the Fire Insurance Department is to help Texas citizens set an all-time record low in 1938."

## Smallpox This Year Already Bad

AUSTIN, Jan. 19.—Texas is faced with the probability of local smallpox epidemics of precautions are not immediately employed," declared Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. "Last year there was not a single death from smallpox in Texas, while last week over thirty cases and two deaths were reported.

"Smallpox epidemics would never occur if everyone, and especially children, could be effectively vaccinated. The lack of vaccination causes the present menace of this disease. Modern safeguards have removed every legitimate objection to vaccination. The virus is made from calves and, consequently, is incapable of transmitting human blood diseases.

"A primary vaccination with one successful revaccination will, as a rule, protect throughout life from the milder forms of smallpox, but this is not true in the severer types of this disease. Therefore, be vaccinated and revaccinated at least every seven years, so that you will have the greatest protection possible and the least chance of being sick. Revaccination should also be done after each time you have been near a known case of smallpox, for you know the old vaccination protects if the new one fails to 'take'. Vaccination is not to be feared but rather to be sought as the only safe positively harmless and absolutely certain safeguard against smallpox. See your family physician today and be sure that you are protected."

## Lowest Fire Loss In State's History

AUSTIN, Jan. 19.—Texas experienced the second lowest fire loss year in its history during 1937. Marvin Hall, State fire insurance commissioner, announced today. An unofficial check of the Commission's records show that only the 1935 total of \$6,008,363 was below the total during the past twelve months of approximately \$6,400,000.

"When contrasted with the losses of former years," Commissioner Hall explained, "the 1937 losses are surprisingly small. The 1931 losses amounted to \$17,565,457, the 1930 losses to \$17,225,417, and the 1929 losses to \$15,664,858. Such a large decrease in so few years reflects great progress in fire prevention and control."

Since he took office on Jan. 4, 1937, Hall has been a leader in fire prevention activities. His policies in this respect are largely responsible for the low loss record of the past year.

According to Hall, for the first six months of 1937 the losses dipped under any other six-month period on record, but an increase in fires over the state generally from July to December pushed the year's total up to right above that of 1935.

"Such a low fire loss as that of the past twelve months means a direct saving to the people of this state of approximately \$2,000,000, as the fire record of each

# UNDER PRESSURE

## GEORGE AGNEW CHAMBERLAIN'S NEW SERIAL OF WEIRD MEXICO!

"I'm from the American embassy," said Dirk. "My name is Van Suttart and this is Adan Arnaldo who happened to witness your capture. I congratulate you on your escape."

"Huh?" grunted Blackadder. "Oh, yes. What about Joyce Sewell? She's here, isn't she?"

"I'll take you to her," said Dirk. "but she thought you'd be glad of a chance for a shave and a wash first."

"I haven't a razor," grumbled Blackadder, "and nothing to change into."

"I can lend you a razor," said Dirk; "as for linen, you're too big for me, but we can fix that too if you'll put up with stuff from the hacienda store. Come along."

He led him to a room near his own, showed him the bath, provided him with shaving equipment and promised to send up an assortment of shirts and underwear from the store. Scarcely of windows insured any Spanish habitation against curiosity on the part of the outer world but knocks the props from under individual privacy. Since every apartment depends for light and ventilation on high doors opening on a central patio the price of seclusion is apt to be darkness and suffocation. On the way to do his errand Dirk saw Joyce standing expectantly in her boudoir-office-sitting room and pretended not to see her—the sort of thing he had been doing for two long days and longer nights. On his way back she intercepted him.

"Dirk, come in here, please."

"What for?" he asked blankly, then remembered he was supposed to be a diplomat. "Forgive me. Of course I'll come in."

"Quit being polite!" said Joyce sharply. "I hate it. It isn't you and you've been doing it for two days. It's spoiled our rides. It's made me unhappy. For a while you were Dirk Van Suttart, a lovable human being. But now what are you? A shell, varnish, floor wax, veneer! I dislike you."

"That goes for me too," said Dirk hotly. "I dislike actresses who change their leading men but always use the same old stage set."

"So that's it," said Joyce, "that's really it! I couldn't believe it. Half my mind told me that was the matter but the other half called the first half a fool. Why shouldn't I have taken Adan to the roof? Why? What conceivable reason?"

"You're asking me what business it was of mine," said Dirk dully, "and I'll answer you. None—none at all. What it did, though was to wake me up. I felt miserable. I thought it would pass by morning, but it didn't." He looked up at her. "I—I hate feeling miserable."

"Oh, Dirk—poor Dirk! If you could only know what happened! He covered his nose and mouth with a silk handkerchief."

"Why?" demanded Dirk, bewildered. "What for?"

"On account of the night air."

They looked at each other and their eyes began to dance. Another second and they would have burst into laughter, but unfortunately Dirk's thoughts veered into another channel. There was something he had been wanting to do for his own personal satisfaction for what already seemed a long time and while her attention was still diverted he took her chin in his left hand and studied the tip of her nose as if it had a smudge. Her startled and puzzled eyes should have warned him but somehow her half parted lips seemed more important. He leaned over quickly but kissed them slowly.

Joyce had not imagined she would mind being kissed by Dirk, yet the light in her eyes dimmed and went out. Instead of warming she turned cold—so cold he released her and stood back. A sense of loss oppressed her. What had happened? Suddenly she knew. He had been selfish, casual. It wasn't only that she had been taken for granted; it went deeper—so much deeper. He had destroyed something they both should have guarded.

"Dirk," she said, "some day you'll grow up and learn how foolish it is to cheapen another person. I believe people can make beauty for themselves, not out of whole cloth perhaps, but when they have a fair start. Friends are what you make them. Love is what you make it. Just now I think you yourself are too small to know what I'm talking about."

He threw up his head rebelliously and made an impulsive forward movement, but something in her steady eyes stopped him in time. He turned and walked blindly toward his room.

CHAPTER XIII

Blackadder recoiled from his first glance in a mirror in five days. He felt grateful to that young Van Suttart for saving him from showing himself to Joyce looking like a tramp. Being a stickler for daily shaving he hadn't seen his beard in years and was shocked to find it spotted with gray. He took joy in getting rid of it, in steaming in a hot bath and in slipping into underwear and shirt, coarse but clean, supplied from the hacienda store. In spite of his wrinkled suit he felt in better humor than at any moment since his departure from Elsinboro. Joyce was a fool, he reflected complacently. What a chance she had missed by giving him this opportunity for recuperation! In his mind he credited her with tactical error number one.

But the moment he was shown into her presence he wondered if and where he had gone wrong. Already dressed in one of her flowered frocks, she turned in the chair at her desk but did not rise. She looked unbelievably cool—cool inside and out—as she passed slow eyes over his face and figure. Here was a man out of her past, accurately remembered, and he had not changed; yet he was distant, divided from her by a world. As for Blackadder, he beheld a person he did not know, a person he felt he might never know. He had been thinking of her as a young girl—headstrong, violent in her reactions, but young, unformed and consequently malleable. Now he stared at something as fixed as a portrait; alive yet baffling, impenetrable. Instantly his own plan of attack went into reverse with an almost audible stripping of mental gears and as an added humiliation he discovered he would have to speak first or not at all.

"Hardly what you'd call a warm welcome, Joyce."

"No," she admitted; then continued in an even tone, "Why have you come and what do you want?"

He was at a loss for an answer. That a whipper-snapper should outface him roused his always unmanageable temper and abandoning the sensible course he had just determined upon he foolishly reverted to a prepared speech—prepared and rehearsed for days.

"You know why I'm here. You're a willful and ungrateful girl. You bit the hand that fed you—fed you for years. Your escapade has cost me time and money and caused real anguish to Irma, as fine a woman as ever drew breath. But now it's a lot more serious. You're like a child playing with matches around a keg of powder and thinking it's funny! Get this, Joyce: if you don't go back with me at once you may find yourself responsible, silly as it may sound, for thousands of deaths. Fortunately you're still a minor. Do you hear? A minor."

"Yes, yes," said Joyce quietly, "you don't have to shout. I heard you—a minor. Well, what of it?"

"Your stepmother has appointed me your guardian and by the laws of the state of New York—" He stopped, halted by a clear laugh.

"Excuse me," said Joyce, controlling herself, "but that sounded so funny. The state of New York, Elsinboro, you, my stepmother—it's all thousands of miles and a hundred years away. There you were Mr. Blackadder, weren't you? Mr. Helm Blackadder, and a power in a small way. Well, here you're nothing. Unless you find some work to do around the place you haven't the right to eat, breathe, sleep or live."

"You talk to me like that," exploded Blackadder, "a man twice your age who—"

"Please don't shout," interrupted Joyce. "Try to realize it's only because I hate bloodshed that you weren't shot. That's easy enough to understand, but what about this? If you had been it wouldn't have affected the course of my present life in the slightest—it wouldn't even have rated an added inconvenience."

"Are you crazy?" gasped Blackadder.

"Perhaps," said Joyce, "but that isn't what matters, is it? What stands for a whole lot more than you seem able to comprehend is that I'm mistress of La Barranca."

"Anything I can do to help, Joyce?" asked Dirk, sauntering in from the balcony.

"Oh, Dirk; I'm glad you came. Do you mind showing Mr. Blackadder around for a while? I'm going to be busy until dinner time."

Blackadder, though annoyed at the interruption, promptly saw the value of a chance to sound out Van Suttart. Whose ally would he turn out to be? What was he doing here anyway? How had he got here and when? He accompanied him with alacrity, glad of a chance besides to reassemble his shaken wits, and to all his questions except the first and most important obtained ready answers. At the end of half an hour he could murmur: "So that cable of mine is really all the authority you have for being away from your post?"

"Why, yes, I guess so, yes," said Dirk, a little troubled by the tone of the statement. "I hadn't thought of it in exactly that way."

"Now that you have and that I'm here," continued Blackadder, "it sort of does away with any reason for you to continue hanging around, doesn't it?"

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## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Lowe Perty and daughter of Indian Gap visited relatives here Monday.

Mrs. Frances Cooper of Eastland visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. B. F. Terry and daughter of Eastland were visitors of Miss Addie Haley Sunday.

Henry Murphy of Waco is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Thomson this week.

Mrs. Dona Moorman was called to the bedside of her mother in Hollywood, Calif.

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# Local Happenings

BY RUTH GRAY

Bill Bettis visited in Eastland Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimble visited relatives in Ballinger Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kinney of Stamford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doc Kinney over the week end.

Mrs. C. J. Wallace of Ft. Worth returned to her home Tuesday morning after a visit here with her father, Judge Parker.

Lenord Trammell is ill at his home in Eastland this week.

John and Check Chapman were in Cross Plains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wright spent Sunday in San Angelo visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barryhill of Ft. Worth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reece Allday Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Reynolds of Cisco visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reynolds here Sunday.

Edward Smith of Austin visited friends and relatives in Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hudson and family of Cisco were here Saturday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Webb and son of Ixey visited relatives here Saturday.

Miss Julia Beth Bettis was in Eastland and Ranger Sunday.

Mrs. Washburn of Eastland visited in Gorman Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parker and daughter, Vera, have been visiting their sons in Oil Center, N. M. for the past few days.

Mrs. Hulon Polnac of Walnut Spring was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Capers and Frank Gray over the week end.

Rev. and Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Homer Miller, Mrs. King and Mr. Henderson attended a B. Y. P. U. meeting in Eastland Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ellen Oldham has returned to her home in Gorman after a visit with friends and relatives in Amarillo and Crosbyton.

F. C. Williamson left Sunday for Stephenville to enter John Tarleton when the second term begins.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ussery of Pioneer were in Gorman Saturday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Warford of Ranger visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fuller Sunday.

Melvin Shell, who is now working in Stephenville spent the week end here.

Lonnie Hinds of Coleman visited Bruce Spencer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ballard and son of Hillsboro visited friends and relatives in Gorman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Butler and Mrs. McCroan spent Sunday afternoon in Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Slick Walker and Monte Ray, visited in Gorman on Trade day.

Miss Bactrice Pittman of Ranger visited her mother, Mrs. Etha Pittman over the week end.

Dr. and Mrs. Ed Blackwell spent Sunday in New Orleans visiting Edward Harrison, student at Marquette U.

Charlie Walker and V. C. Walker of Comanche visited Rosa Walker here Sunday.

Wesley Ellis of Dublin visited in Gorman over the week end.

Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis attended the funeral of her Aunt, Mrs. Broth, in Waco last week. She returned Sunday.

Herman Wood and B. F. Pendarvis attended the Masonic lodge in Eastland Thursday night.

J. W. Richardson of Waco is here this week visiting Mrs. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thomson and H. E. Murphy were in Eastland and Ranger Tuesday.

Mrs. Gus Frossard of Comanche visited friends and relatives here this week.

Elvin Lowe and family of Lometa visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Southworth and son, Denny arrived Tuesday afternoon to spend a few days visit here with her mother, Mrs. P. A. Gray.

## KOKOMO 4-H CLUB BOYS AND GIRLS TO BUILD CLUB HOUSE

At a meeting of all 4-H Club Boys and Girls and their parents at the Kokomo Schoolhouse Monday night it was decided to build a 4-H Club building for the Kokomo Boys and Girls 4-H Clubs. The building it to be made of rock, and will be twenty four feet long and twenty feet wide. The rock will be secured from farms in the Kokomo community and will be hauled to the building site on the school grounds by the Kokomo 4-H Club boys.

Through the cooperation of the Texas Extension Service and C. W. Simmons, Extension Forester, of the Extension Service, a portable sawmill will come to Eastland county next week for a weeks stay to saw the necessary lumber for the building from two farms in this community.

The erection of the building will start within the next two weeks, and will be constructed by the 4-H Club boys. After the building is completed the Kokomo 4-H club girls will decorate the inside of the building as well as to landscape the outside. In addition to building this building it was decided to saw enough lumber to build a wood shed for the school.

After the building is completed electric lights will be installed, as well as furniture made there in the community. At the meeting Monday night in the Kokomo school house, talks were made by C. W. Simmons, Elmo V. Cook, and Hugh F. Barnhart, county extension agents, and Ruth Ramey and Cornelia Faye Stewart, Hom Demonstration agent, L. R. Higginbotham, local club leader, and parents of the 4-H club boys and girls.

This club house will be the first 4-H club house constructed in Eastland county, and there are a very few of these houses in Texas. The Kokomo 4-H club boys and girls extend an invitation to the public to attend the sawing of lumber with a portable sawmill, on the H. L. Seitren farm located one and one-half miles southeast one and one-half miles, as well as visit the building while under construction.

## COON CREEK --

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A bachelor says that as long as married women work the depression will never end. Well if they were to all quit he would think not only the depression had come to an end but the whole world its self had ended. Bachelors can give good advice on running a home and raising children, but if they think married women working has brought on a depression why don't some of them marry and set the world an example of prosperity, and a man living on the sunny side of easy street.

## Methodist Church

Church School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Young people meeting at 6:30. We invite you to worship with us. A. W. Franklin, Pastor.

# The Panther Squall

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## Value of Friendliness

If you want people to be friendly, you must be friendly, you must be friendly with them. Very few people are able to resist friendliness. By and by they will unbend and like you. If they do not, your effort has done you good.

If any one you have to do business with is "grumpy," fault-finding, suspicious or sarcastic, do not let that person induce you to be like him. Life is too short! Most nasty tempers disappear after awhile in the sunlight of friendliness.

You don't have to be familiar, officious, nor grim all the time. Just keep friendly and good natured. It will create an atmosphere around you which will be pleasant to live in. You will be much happier at your work.

## OLDEN TOURNAMENT

Last Friday and Saturday both the girls and boys went to enter the conference tournament at Olden. The boys played at 10:00 Friday morning. They defeated Morton Valley Friday night. They were defeated by Morton Valley. The score of this final game was 21 to 11. The girls were to play the Olden team at 2 in the afternoon. They beat them by a score of 33 to 13. Then they were to play Desdemona at 10 Saturday morning. Desdemona defeated them by a score of 24 to 22. Our teams will enter the Rising Star tournament next Friday and Saturday. Then comes the Big Gorman Tournament. So you all plan to attend.

## GORMAN vs. EASTLAND

Tuesday night the boys team went to Eastland to play another game in the conference. They were defeated by a score of 34 to 20. There was only one of our boys fouled out, and one from Eastland Burleson, Hampton, and Graham tied on points, with McCulley and Linder helping them out with the scores.

This Thursday night both the boys and girls will play Rising Star in the local gym. We are expecting a big crowd out to back the teams, so don't disappoint us.

## DE LEON vs. DESDEMONA

While our boys were in Eastland The De Leon and Desdemona brought both of their teams over to combat in a battle of teams. The De Leon girls proved to be the better of the two teams. Decker was the high point girl for De Leon, while Carr proved to be the high point girl for Desdemona. Then the boys played a very exciting game, with a score of 21 to 14. This was in favor of the Desdemona team. Bell and Green kept the Desdemona team from getting a lot more scores. Green proved the high point man with a score of 12 points and Lawless made the other two points. While on the opposite side Adams and Brazwell were the high point men. We invite you all to come to the games played in the Gorman gym during the week.

## CAMPUS NEWS

Elvy Clarke and Dorothy Parker attended the show in De Leon Sunday night.

Thomas and Robbie Were in De Leon Sunday night.

Coach Calloway was in San Angelo over the week end.

Tommye Sue and Sylvia were in De Leon Sunday night.

A crowd from Gorman attended the Basket Ball Tournament in Olden Friday and Saturday.

Doris Shugart is attending Gorman High School this week.

Louise Huckabee spent Sunday in Stamford.

Virginia, Wilma, Ruby Jean, Sarah, nd Sue Pittman went to Desdemona Sunday.

Sarah Jo Stewart was in Eastland for short visit Sunday.

Willie Mae Capers was in Desdemona and De Leon Sunday.

Minnie Lee Ormsby went to Comanche Sunday evening.

Julia Beth Bettis spent the week end in Ranger.

Weldon Linder was also one of many who went to De Leon over

the week end.

W. H. Shugart, La Verne Warren, and Isbell Ruby entered high school this week. A total of 163 have enrolled in high school this year.

## TODAY'S RADIO PROGRAM

Station G. H. S. Gorman

Monday: 7-8 p. m. "Desdemona Road" whistled by Jack Sims.

Tuesday: 11-12 a. m. "First Call for debaters"—Mr. Lindsey.

Wednesday: 7-8 p. m. "Watching and Waiting" sung by Billit Jo Franklin.

Thursday: 11-12 a. m. A duet Ya-Ya, Geraldine, sang by Bill Burleson and De Witt.

Friday: 3:45 "Early bell,"—Mr. Risinger.

Daily: 4:00 "Now you may stand awhile," Detention Hall teacher.

Monday: 9:00 a. m. "We've ditched" sang by Rosa Lee and Julia Beth.

Tuesday: 10-11 "I don't want two hours but a date for the show" by Billy Brewer.

Wednesday: 11-12 a. m. "If a new hair style" by Bill Burleson.

Thursday: 8:48 "Just who are the new girls" sang by the G. H. S. Glee Club.

Friday: 4: p. m. "Now you locker meddlers, one hour"—Coach

Daily: "You're just who I want to see"—Mr. Brummett.

## GUESS WHO ? ? ?

The girl and boy described for last week were Betty Vance and Jimmy Bryan.

The boy described for this week is a junior. He is very shy, especially around girls. He is studious, and a good citizen in the school. He is 5 feet 6 inches tall, and weighs about 125 pounds.

The girl for this week is a junior also. She is 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 120 pounds. She is very popular and liked by all. She plays basketball and generally keeps the bench warm for the team.

## Peeping around corners we see:

Robert Mears going with a Sophomore girl.

Bill and De Witt getting to be pretty good basket ball boys.

Mary Todd getting disgusted in typing.

James J. Jobe seems to be trying to cut under a certain freshman with a blond headed freshman.

Julia Beth seems to be in a whirl pool lately. Wonder why?

Sylvia going to a Basket Ball game. The "sports" are in her.

Louise and Billy still "bitting it off" together.

Dorothy McCullen getting to be an office secretary.

These Gorman Basket Ball boys and girls seems to be kept busy playing games, and they are winning too.

## STREET WORK WELL UNDERWAY

Gorman's street improvement work is well under way at this time and the condition of a number of the streets have already been greatly improved. The work is to continue until the entire city has been worked over and each street graded and given a coating of gravel. The project is giving employment to a large number of men who otherwise would be out of work.

At the present time one of the excellent things that is being done is the rebuilding of the culvert crossing the street from the Hufford Cafe to the Magnolia Service Station. The old culvert is being torn out and replaced with a new rock one which should greatly improve the draining facilities for this section of the city.

Nearly all of the bar ditches have been cleaned out and Gorman residents should have little trouble with surplus water from the spring rains.

# Explanation to Secure Receipts For Poll Tax, Exempt Papers Is Offered

Explanation to aid in the securing of poll tax receipts and exemption certificates for voting this year was offered Wednesday by County Assessor-Collector C. H. O'Brien.

A person votes with a 1937 poll tax in 1938 elections. In other words, a person is assessed a poll tax on January 1, 1937, and he pays and gets a receipt the latter part of 1937 or the first part of 1938, before Jan. 31.

If a person becomes 21 subsequent to January 1, 1937, and prior to February 1, 1938, he must secure prior to February 1, a poll tax exemption certificate, but those who reach 21 subsequent to January 31 of this year and prior to the date of the election are not required to secure such a certificate.

A person reaching the age of 60 before January 1, 1937, may vote in an election without first obtaining an exemption certificate because this is a county without a city over 10,000 population.

A person must have resided in the state one year and the county six months to vote. This is preceding any special, primary or general election.

## KOKOMO MAN DIES TUESDAY

News was received Wednesday of the death of E. S. McDonald age 82, of the Kokomo community. Mr. McDonald was visiting relatives in Beeville when death came Tuesday night. He was planning to continue his visit with relatives in San Angelo. The deceased will be shipped from Beeville and will arrive here Thursday morning. Funeral services will be held at the Simpson cemetery Thursday afternoon.

Mr. McDonald was a well acquaintance with the people of Gorman, having lived in the Kokomo community practically all his life. He was next to the oldest resident of that community.

His closest surviving relative is his son, Opie McDonald of San Angelo. Others include two grandchildren and three great-grand children.

## Baptist Church

Again we earnestly invite all of you to be with us in our services Sunday. Our attendance is growing our interest is good, and our services are helpful. Be with us in Sunday school. We have a class for you and a good teacher.

At eleven o'clock the pastor will speak on "We Must Win Souls." This is the third and last of a series of sermons on the subject "We Must."

Remember our training union meets at 6:15. Be on time to enjoy a good program. Five Unions meeting.

At 7:15 the pastor will speak on "What Can I Do To Be Saved?" If you are in doubt at all about this most important matter, be present Sunday night to hear what is said.

## Church of God

Rev. L. B. Scott announces that there will be regular services next Sunday at the Church of God. Sunday school starts at 9:45 and preaching at 11. Also young peoples services starts at 7 p. m.

Rev. Scott has been pastor of the Church of God for a year, and last Sunday he was unanimously elected by the Church to serve as pastor for another year. Rev. Scott has worked hard in the work here and has been very successful. He urges everyone to attend Sunday school and church.

Mr. and Mrs. Mumford Townsend of Moran were visitors of Miss Della Pullig Sunday.

Mrs. Alice Northcutt of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Beans McCasland of Abilene visited Miss Addie Haley and Mrs. Statham over the week end. Mrs. McCasland is the former Frances Northcutt.

Mrs. W. D. Oldham, of Iredale visited in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed F. Stevens over the week end.

## DR. STUBBLEFIELD MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

The residence of Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield is undergoing some improvements this week. An additional room is being added and one room enlarged.

## Church of Christ

Bro. Webb will preach next Lord's Day. You have a corial welcome to be with the church, both for the lesson and all the services.

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# AMUSEMENTS

## DICK POWELL TAP DANCES FOR FIRST TIME ON SCREEN

There was one thing that Dick Powell wanted above everything else. Life had been good to him bringing him a full measurer of success in his profession — a happy marriage with Joan Blondell — and financial independence. But, successful as he was, he had spent years on the stage and in a variety of screen roles without the opportunity of doing one thing he craved intensely.

Dick Powell wanted to dance.

And when he learned that Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians were to star with him in Warner Bros.' new super-musical, "Varsity Show," he decided something had to be done about it. He was going to dance to that world famous music—or else!

Quietly and secretly he made his plans. Only one person did he take into his confidence and that was Eddie Larkin, assistant dance director at the studio. Not even Joan knew what he was doing.

For weeks Dick and Eddie spent hours together every day in the star's dressing room on the lot. Before he went on the set in the morning and after he finished at night; during his lunch hour and vacation days, Dick practiced tap dancing under the expert tutelage of Eddie.

Finally Eddie pronounced his job well done—Dick was an expert tap dancer. And Dick confronted Busby Berkeley, who created and staged the spectacular finale for "Varsity Show."

"I want to dance in the finale, Buzz," said Dick simply and to the amazement of Berkeley went through a clever tap routine.

And so, for the first time in his career on stage and screen Dick Powell dances in "Varsity Show," which will be seen Sunday and Monday at the New Deal Theatre, Bismarck, Mt. View, Ark., ten miles from any modern conveniences, Dick at an early age moved with his family to Little Rock, Ark. There he lived the typical life of the small town boy and was encouraged in his musical aspirations though other members of his family were not musically inclined.

As a freshman at Little Rock College when he was offered a job singing with a part orchestra in Louisville. To augment his income and acquire experience he became a member of popular songs with an orchestra at a Louisville theatre.

Possessing a splendid stage appearance and a personality that projected itself into the hearts of audiences, he became the sensation of Louisville. His fame spread and presently he received an offer from the Stanley theatre at Pittsburgh.

## FINAL EXAM. WEEK AT G. H. S.

This week the Gorman schools are completing their work for the fall semester. The teachers are urging the students to work and study harder and wind up their semester's work in right fashion. The finals will be Thursday and Friday, with 2 hours to 2 one-half hours being devoted to each subject.

Next semester, there will be some change in the schedule, one change being three Home Economics classes instead of one. The enrollment of High School is steadily increasing and this year there is the highest increase in percentage in enrollment than there has ever been before.

The Typing room this week is one of the most popular and busiest places in school with the students in their rush to finish up their work for this semester.

All new students who wish to start for the next semester, may enroll on the afternoon of the 21st of Jan.

## BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD AT CARBON

From a meeting at Eastland, it was learned that the Girls county Basketball tournament will be held at Carbon on Feb. 11 and 12. The Gorman Girls have already been entered and are scheduled to play Scranton in the first round. The boys will go to a tournament at Rising Star this week end.

## Meet Hollywood's Cowboy No. One

Hollywood can boast one self-effacing young man who has risen to undreamed of heights by the sheer force of his modesty, and his genial and unpretentious charm.

That young man is Gene Autry, cowboy extraordinaire, crooner de luxe, and yodeler supreme. For two years he has gone quietly on his way, making westerns for Republic, until suddenly he finds himself the object of a bewildering wave of fan popularity, with a vast volume of studio mail that exceed's Robert Taylor's in bulk, and an insistent demand on the part of his constituents that he appear more frequently and in pictures of the high budget class.

In response to this urgent plea, Republic has elevated the genial, modest cowboy to a prominent featured spot in "Manhattan Merry-Go-Round," which opens Thursday and Friday at the New Deal Theatre with a star-studded cast which includes Phil Regan, Ann Dovark, Leo Carrillo, Henry Armatta, Jimmy Gleason, Cab Calloway, Tamara Geva, Luis Alberni, Ted Lewis, Kay Thompson, and a host of others.

Gene doesn't forsake his chaps and his sombrero when he goes "high-brow." Far from it, he appears in the wild-and-wooliest of his western costumes, and turns in a outstanding contribution to the picture as the cowboy crooner who admits Phil Regan, heart-sick and defeated, into his hill-billy band. He introduces a brand new song, "Round-up Time in Reno," which is bound to become a western classic.

## Indian Mountain

Mrs. Lissa Bishop of O'Brien spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stanfield.

Several of this community have moved to new homes for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stanfield attended church at Stag Creek Sunday.

Mr. C. Broome was in Sidney on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Eddie Underwood was in Eastland Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Stanfield spent last Thursday with Jim Wood and family near Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Laster visited Albert Laster and family last week.

Mrs. Porter Nunley spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Faye Callaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kinser spent Tuesday with Mrs. Dee Thompson.

## W. M. U.

The Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the Methodist Church in business session. Our president, Mrs. Shell, presided. Mrs. Pendarvis read the scripture lesson and Mrs. Virdepe led the prayer.

Supt. of Pub. gave items from the Missionary Bulletin. Mrs. Kimble, Supt. of Social Relation, gave some interesting items. The local Treas. gave her report. Mrs. Virdepe gave a report of Children's Work.

Mrs. Uobe resigned as Supt. of Local work and Mrs. Pendarvis was elected in her place. The secretary read a letter from the Dist. Secretary.

A spiritual Life service followed the business session, led by Mrs. Statham. Mrs. Kimble gave an interesting paper, "Companions of the Holy Cross."

The society will meet next Monday with Mrs. Kimble in a social meeting.

## AN ENTHUSIASTIC THROG OF OVER 300 PRESENT AT OLD-FOLK MEET SATURDAY

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In response to the call of Chairman J. H. Taylor an enthusiastic throng of probably more than 300 aged people of Eastland county filled the commissioners court room to overflowing last Saturday evening to further perfect the old people's organization. Other than Eastland county there was a delegation present from De Leon and Comanche, who came to offer greetings to Eastland county old people. These gentlemen told of a similar organization already functioning in Comanche, and speakers stated there were 25 counties in Texas already organized.

The meeting was called to order with Chairman Taylor in the chair, and Secretary J. M. Williamson present. Minutes of previous meeting was approved as read.

W. O. Russell, of Gorman, was elected vice chairman. Motion of Williams that an executive chairman from each of the towns of Eastland, Ranger, Cisco, Rising Star and Gorman be elected, prevailed and John Jones, Gorman; J. M. Williams, Cisco; R. O. King, Ranger; J. H. Evans, Rising Star; R. W. H. Kennon, Eastland, were elected as the executive chairmen, each of whom will have charge of the meetings and look after the affairs of their respective communities. Their's also, will be the duty to ascertain those officials who favor the old folk legislation and advise the county organization.

**State Meeting Favored**  
The resolutions committee was not ready to report. This committee is composed of J. M. Williamson, chairman; S. C. Hunt and R. W. H. Kennon.

The subject of calling a statewide meeting was unanimously favored, several of those present made splendid talks favoring this procedure. A strong address was made by H. O. Moore, of De Leon favoring the objectives of the organization. He stated that he was yet far from being eligible for old age assistance, but wanted to see the pension law administered within the terms of the constitutional amendment, the strongest mandate ever given the legislature by the people of Texas.

**Meet Every Two Weeks**  
Before adjournment the body voted to meet every two weeks, the next meeting to be held at Ranger, Jan. 22; at Gorman Feb. 5, and at Cisco, Feb. 19. Meetings to convene at 1:30 p. m.

## Grandview

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mosely and son, Bobbie of Morton Valley were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Prestidge Sunday.

Miss Fanny Myrl Boucher, who is teaching school at Duster, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Westmoreland.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Thompson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milliard Westmoreland Sunday night.

Miss L. V. Brown of John Tarleton spent the week end at home with her parents.

Miss Lorena Prestidge is on the sick list.

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones has been quite sick but is better at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Prestidge Antha and Edna Earle visited in the home of Miss Katie Thurman Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers and Alice visited in Gorman Monday night.

Mrs. Tom Goodwin and grandson Walter returned last week from Hamilton where they have been visiting.

Fancing and Cordlia Duggan spent part of last week with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bagwell of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Duypre have been at the bedside of Grandpa Haney of Alameda, who passed away early Monday morning. The sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of this community.

The shower given in the home of Mrs. Bill Simpson, honoring Mrs. Marvin Jones Monday evening was attended by a large crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lee and family of Alameda attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Ethel Williams of Gorman was the guest of Mrs. Maud Stacy Sunday and attended church here.

## HOME MAKERS CLASS MEETS

The Home Makers Class met in their regular social meeting on Friday at the home of Mrs. Dean.

Miss Judie Martin gave us an interesting lesson on "Sowing Seeds," taken from the eighth chapter of Eccles. After a short business meeting, we enjoyed a lovely salad plate served by the hostess to 16 member and guests.

## 4-H CLUB BOYS AND FARMERS TO RECEIVE REGISTERED PIGS ON FRIDAY

Eight Eastland county 4-H club Boys and Farmers will get their registered Poland China Pigs next Friday, Jan. 21, at 2 p. m. At

one o'clock these boys have been called into a meeting to discuss the care and management of their pigs. At two o'clock these pigs will be delivered to the boys from the West side of the courthouse in Eastland.

W. E. McKittrick of Cahoma was here last week to visit Mrs. McKittrick.

Rev. J. F. Solomon will attend a preachers convention in Dallas this week.

Mrs. W. M. Sims was in Eastland this week.

Dayle Lynn Clark spent the week end in Carbon with relatives.

Bob Williams of Brownwood spent Monday in Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whittaker of Strawn visited Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Jenkins Sunday.

## THOUGHTS --

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man and woman in the county who is required to have a receipt before the closing on the tax paying season, which is Jan. 31.

Many State, District and County offices are to be filled this year and the choice of who will fill them is left entirely up to the people who pay for this privilege, unless they are eligible for exemption.

Be a good citizen . . . Pay your poll tax.

## KEEP WELL— VISIT YOUR DOCTOR REGULARLY

It is safe and more economical to see your doctor in advance, especially if you feel ill in any way. He will advise you correctly and prescribe what is necessary to keep you well and possibly avoid any illness during the coming months.

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We, as your "home-town" merchants are due your willing consideration. We are heavy taxpayers— State, County, City and School— helping in a big way to support your support your schools, build your streets, your roads, and help in all public enterprises. We willingly and freely co-operate with you in your community endeavors, and grant worthwhile favors to you when desired. The personnel of this institution are your friends and neighbors—your "home-town" merchants in Gorman for more than 20 years . . . Our interests are identical, we need you, and you need us as local manufacturers, distributors of merchandise—truly our interests are necessarily mutual.—When you buy from us, you are helping us help you—and helping us give you better service—better merchandise—lower prices.

## Our Progress and Our Promises

By those who have closely observed our progress, our success is, in a great measure, attributed to our experienced, aggressive merchandise economically—giving our patrons quality merchandise at prices no more than they should pay—always. This coupled with our ability to favor our worthy patrons with extended terms on volume sales of farm machinery, household supplies, building materials, fencing, etc., results in mutual satisfaction.

For 1938 we shall continue our liberal policies of the past—offering only merchandise of quality and giving our patrons the fullest benefit of our favored buying and selling facilities—and co-operating with them in every way possible. . . Let's discuss your improvement plans for 1938.—Are you going to build, rebuild, or fence.—We can help you.—Let's talk it over.

## Do You Want GORMAN To Be A Deserted Village?

Suppose everyone in Gorman should send off for all their supplies . . . what kind of a ghost-town would you have? What would your home be worth? What kind of a job would you have? Ordering one dollar's worth from a catalogue house is one step to that end. Bats and pigeons pay no rent—and hire no help. "NUFF SED."

THINK IT OVER AND RESOLVE TO TRADE IN GORMAN DURING 1938—AND WE HOPE WITH HIGGINBOTHAM'S

# HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & Co.

Gorman,

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